

World History II: 1450-Present

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Course Objectives:

- Analyze globalization from 1450 to the present
- Explore the complex interactions among local factors and global economic, political, and cultural forces
- Examine, critically analyze, and integrate a variety of primary sources and historical documents

Required Text:

- Walter Ward & Denis Gainty, *Sources of World Societies vol. 2: Since 1450*, 2nd Edition (2012).
- Optional Textbook on reserve at the circulation desk in the library. Relevant chapters noted on schedule

Policies:

- **Attendance** - Attendance is taken for university administrative purposes only. However, attendance in class is essential to performing well and to your participation grade.
- **Missed Work** - You are responsible for all missed work. I do not give out notes.
- **Make-Up Quizzes & Exams** - I only give make-up quizzes and exams for documented excused absences. If you know you are going to be absent for a quiz or exam, let me know in advance.
- **Technology** - Do not use your phone in class and only use your computer to take notes in the first & last 2 rows of the classroom.
- **Email Policy** - University of West Georgia students are provided a MyUWG e-mail account. This is the official means of communication between the University and the student. **It is your responsibility to check your email. Only email me in Course Den.**
- **Academic Honesty** - All work must abide by the UWG honor code. All work must be completed independently unless otherwise specified and must be original. The UWG Honor Code is in force at all times. Each student is responsible for understanding the nature of, and rules regarding, academic dishonesty. **Academic dishonesty will result in a failing grade for the course.**
- **Accommodations** - If you require accommodations, **it is your responsibility to provide me with documentation** from the office of accessibility services. It is **also your responsibility to make arrangements for extra time, alternative testing locations, etc., and to remind me in advance.** I cannot provide accommodations without University documentation.
- **Grading:** - I will not discuss grades within 48 hours of posting them and I do not change grades except in cases of mathematical error. It is against university policy to discuss grades via email.
- **University Policies:** Please see the following link for a complete listing of University policies - <http://www.westga.edu/UWGSyllabusPolicies/>

Assignments:

Homework: You are expected to complete the homework for each class and come to class prepared to discuss the lecture and readings. If you have any questions about the lecture or reading, post them to course den or bring them to class.

Quizzes & In-Class Assignments: There will be 7 in-class quizzes and 6 in-class assignments. The quizzes will be based on assigned primary source units. You may have your source book during quizzes.

Exams: There will be two (2) non-cumulative exams: Monday Oct. 3 and Wednesday Nov. 11.

Grade Distribution:

- Participation – 20%
- Exams – 30% (15% each)
- Quizzes – 30% (~4.3% each)
- In-Class Assignments – 20% (3.3% each)

Schedule in Brief

W 8/10 – Intro to Class

M 8/15 – The Commercial & Maritime Revolutions

W 8/17 – The Renaissance & Scientific Revolution

M 8/22 – Transformations in Church & State

W 8/24 – The Enlightenment

Quiz 1

M 8/29 – The French Revolution

W 8/31 – The Industrial Revolution

M 9/5 – Labor Day – No Class

W 9/7 – The New Imperialism

Quiz 2

M 9/12 – Build Up to WWI

W 9/14 – WWI & Russian Revolution

M 9/19 – The Interwar Era

W 9/21 – WWII & The Holocaust

M 9/26 – Cold War West

W 9/28 – The Thaw and Contemporary Europe

Quiz 3

M 10/3 – Exam 1

W 10/5 – Qing China & Tokugawa Japan

M 10/10 – Imperialism in China & Meiji Japan

W 10/12 – WWII: Pacific Theater

M 10/17 – Communist China

W 10/19 – Vietnam

Quiz 5

M 10/24 – Islamic Empires

W 10/26 – The Great Game & 19th C. Western Asia

M 10/31 – Secular & Sectarian Revolutions

Quiz 6

W 11/2 – Spanish Conquest of the Americas

M 11/7 – Latin American Revolutions

W 11/9 – Cold War & Contemporary Latin America

Quiz 7

M 11/14 – Africa & the Slave Trade

W 11/16 – Colonization & Decolonization in Africa

November 21-23 – Thanksgiving

M 11/28 – The Rwandan Genocide

W 11/30 – FINAL EXAM